GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3196
ANSWERED ON:16.08.2005
SCHEME FOR UPLIFTMENT OF SAHARIA TRIBES
Singh Shri Dushyant

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has sponsored any central scheme for the upliftment of tribes particularly saharia tribes in Rajasthan; and

(b) if so, the details alongwith the allocation of fund made thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. The Ministry has been implementing various Schemes for upliftment of the scheduled tribes throughout the country, including the `Saharia tribes`. The `Saharia` tribe in Rajasthan has been identified as a Primitive Tribal Group (PTG). The Ministry has been specifically implementing a Central Sector Scheme of Development of Primitive Tribal Groups since 1998-99 for the exclusive benefit of 75 identified Primitive Tribal Groups, including the `Saharias tribe` in Rajasthan. Under this scheme an amount of Rs.62.50 lakhs and Rs.13.50 lakhs has been released during the year 2004-05 to the State Government of Rajasthan and to an NGO namely the SWARC, District Ajmer, respectively for development of Saharias exclusively. An amount of Rs.25.00 lakhs has further been provided during 2005-06 to the State Government of Rajasthan for providing insurance coverage to 5,000 heads of Saharia families. The details of the other schemes being implemented for all the scheduled tribes, including the PTGs are given in the Annual Report of the Ministry for the year 2004-05 and the Scheme-wise budget allocation for the year 2005-06 is given in the Annexure.

Annexure

Statement referred to in reply of Part (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3196 for answer on 16.8.2005 asked by Shri Dushyant Singh regarding Scheme for Upliftment of Saharia Tribes

S.No.	Name of the Scheme	Allocation for 2005-06 (Rs. in lakhs)
(1)	(2)	(3)
1.	Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Plan	72701.00
2.	Grant in aid under Article 275(1)	38000.00
3.	Scheme of PMS, Book Bank and Upgradation of Merit of ST students	23065.00
4.	Development of Primitive Tribal Groups	2475.00
5.	Grant in aid to State Tribal Development Corporation for Minor Forest Produce (STDCCs)	1080.00
6.	Educational Complex in low literacy pockets	600.00
7.	Vocational Training in Tribal Areas	540.00
8.	Grant in aid to Non Governmental Organization for STs including Coaching and Allied and award for exemplary services	2340.00
9.	Research information & Mass Education, Tribal Festivals & others	510.00
10.	Support to National/State Finance Development Corporations	2700.00